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FOLLOWING ARE REMARKS BY SECRETARY AT RECEPTION HOSTED JOINTLY BY NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR UNITED STATES-CHINA TRADE, NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON UNITED STATES-CHINA RELATIONS, AND COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATION WITH THE PRC AT THE MAYFLOWER HOTEL IN WASHINGTON ON JUNE 3.

BEGIN TEXT: MR. BLUMENTHAL, MR. BURNHAM, DR. BROWN, AMBASSADOR HUANG, MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE COMMITTEES AND THE COUNCIL:

AS YOUR THREE ORGANIZATIONS MEET TO REVIEW THE PAST AND ASSESS THE FUTURE OF YOUR WORK IN CONSTRUCTING NEW CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND
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THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, I AM STRUCK BY THE FACT

THAT THIS RELATIONSHIP, NEW AS IT IS, ALREADY HAS A HISTORY. INDEED, THIS HOTEL IS NOW ITSELF A PART OF THAT HISTORY, HAVING HOUSED THE DISTINGUISHED AMBASSADOR FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA FOR NEARLY A YEAR.

THE SUCCESS OF YOUR WORK IS DEMONSTRATED BY HOW STRANGELY DIFFICULT IT IS NOW TO RECALL OR TO ACCOUNT FOR THE DAYS

OF PRE-HISTORY WHEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES WERE SO UNPRODUCTIVELY ESTRANGED. I AM DELIGHTED TO SEE AMBASSADOR HUANG CHEN AND MANY OTHERS OF OUR CHINESE FRIENDS HERE THIS EVENING, THUS UNDERLINING OUR MUTUAL DESIRE FOR IMPROVED RELATIONS.

IT IS THIS COMMON DESIRE THAT BRINGS ME HERE THIS EVENING. THIS ADMINISTRATION HAS A FIRM COMMITMENT TO THE CONSTANT IMPROVEMENT OF RELATIONS WITH THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA. DESPITE PERIODIC ACCOUNTS OF SUPPOSED UPS AND DOWNS IN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS, THERE SHOULD BE NO DOUBT IN ANYONE'S MIND THAT, FROM THE UNITED STATES' POINT OF VIEW, WE REMAIN FIRMLY ON COURSE. THE NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS WITH THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA IS A PERMANENT AND ESSENTIAL ELEMENT IN OUR FOREIGN POLICY.

A PRIMARY TASK IN THE SECOND TERM OF ANY ADMINISTRATION IS TO LEAVE AN ONGOING LEGACY TO ITS SUCCESSORS. THAT IS OUR PURPOSE WITH RESPECT TO OUR RELATIONS WITH THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

THE UNITED STATES HAS, AND WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE, AN INTEREST IN A PEACEFUL, STRONG AND INDEPENDENT CHINA; AND NO POLICY OF THIS ADMINISTRATION HAS HAD GREATER BIPARTISAN SUPPORT THAN THE NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS WITH THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC. IN THE TIME SINCE THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE, YOUR ORGANIZATIONS AND THE COUNTERPART ORGANIZATIONS IN CHINA HAVE BEGUN TO FORGE LINKS BETWEEN THE TWO SOCIETIES THAT INEVITABLY MUST INFLUENCE THE CHARACTER AND THE PROSPECTS OF THE OVERALL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

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YOU KNOW, AS WELL AS ANY, THAT THE ESSENTIAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE SOCIAL SYSTEMS AND FOREIGN POLICIES OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES COMPLICATE THE JOB OF DEVELOPING COMMUNICATIONS. YOU KNOW THAT IT WOULD BE UNREASONABLE TO EXPECT A SMOOTH AND UNCHECKED PROGRESSION.

COMMUNICATION AT ITS BEST, AS SAMUEL BUTLER SAID, IS LIKE

A PAINTING, A COMPROMISE WITH IMPOSSIBILITIES. BUT THE PAINTING IS TAKING SHAPE. AS A RESULT OF THE COMMERCIAL, SCHOLARLY, ARTISTIC AND ATHLETIC EXCHANGES CONDUCTED BY YOUR THREE ORGANIZATIONS, SOME OF OUR COUNTRY'S MOST TALENTED AND MOST INFLUENTIAL MEN AND WOMEN HAVE ACHIEVED A FAR GREATER UNDERSTANDING OF THE PEOPLE OF CHINA AND THEIR GOALS. THROUGH THIS PROCESS OF UNDERSTANDING,

IMMEASURABLE STRENGTH HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE FUNDAMENTAL TENET OF OUR POLICY: THAT THE NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS WITH CHINA MUST CONTINUE, AND THAT THE AMERICAN INTEREST IN CLOSER TIES WITH THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC IS FIRM.

YOU HAVE OUR THANKS AND OUR CONTINUING SUPPORT. WITH YOU, WE WILL GO ON SEEKING PRACTICAL STEPS TO PROMOTE TRADE AND SCHOLARLY AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE ON THE BASIS OF EQUALITY AND MUTUAL BENEFIT.

WITH YOU AND OUR CHINESE FRIENDS, WE WILL MAKE THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE A DOCUMENT OF TRULY HISTORIC IMPORTANCE.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. END TEXT.
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